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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

Detail of Surgeon H. R. Carter for duty under Isthmian Canal Commission.

> ISTHMIAN CANAL COMMISSION, Washington, D. C., May 11, 1904.

SIR: I have the honor to request that the Secretary of the Treasury be asked to order Surgeon H. R. Carter, of the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, to report to me for duty under the Isthmian Canal Commission upon the Isthmus of Panama in connection with quarantine matters there.

I am, with great respect,

J. G. WALKER, Chairman of Commission.

The Secretary of War, Washington, D. C.

[Indorsement.]

WAR DEPARTMENT, May 14, 1904.

Respectfully referred to the honorable the Secretary of the Treasury for his consideration.

ROBERT SHAW OLIVER, Acting Secretary of War.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, May 19, 1904.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt, by indorsement from you under date of May 14, 1904, of letter from Rear-Admiral John G. Walker, chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, in which he requests the detail of Surgeon H. R. Carter, of the Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, to report to him for duty under the Isthmian Canal Commission upon the Isthmus of Panama in connection with quarantine matters, and to state that Surgeon Carter will be detailed for the duty in question.

Respectfully,

H. A. TAYLOR, Acting Secretary.

The Secretary of War.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Washington, D. C., May 25, 1904.

Surgeon H. R. Carter, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service, Baltimore, Md.

SIR: In accordance with a request of Rear-Admiral John G. Walker, U. S. Navy, dated May 11, 1904, and approved by the Secretary of the

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Treasury, you are hereby directed to report by letter or in person to Rear-Admiral John G. Walker, chairman of the Isthmian Canal Commission, for duty in connection with quarantine matters upon the Isthmus of Panama.

Respectfully,

Walter Wyman, Surgeon-General.

May 26, 1904.

The travel necessary to carry out the foregoing instructions is hereby authorized.

R. B. Armstrong, Assistant Secretary.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Summary of work in Chinatown, San Francisco, for the week ended May 28, 1904.

The following is received from Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue, under date of May 30:

Week ended May 28.

Buildings reinspected	
Rooms	1,
Persons inspected	2,
Sick	•
Sick prescribed for at Oriental Dispensary	
Dead examined	
Necropsies	
Rats examined bacteriologically	
Number showing infection from Danyz virus	
Number showing pest infection	
Places limed and disinfected	1,
Times streets swept	
Sewers flushed	
Sewers baited with phosphorus poison	
Blocks covered with Danyz virus	

Plumbing report not in.

Smallpox at Juneau, Killisnoo, and Hoonah, Alaska.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Sloane reports as follows:

JUNEAU, ALASKA, May 20, 1904.

There is at the present time 1 case of smallpox—a white woman of good family—in Juneau, Alaska. The case came under my care as a private patient.

On Sunday, May 15, 1904, the house in which this woman and her

husband have rooms was quarantined.

The case is varioloid. Every precaution is being taken, and I do not expect an epidemic from this white woman.

On Tuesday, May 17, 1904, I went to Killisnoo and Hoonah, Alaska,

to investigate reported cases of smallpox there.

In Killisnoo I found two cases among the natives. They were isolated and everything disinfected. There has been no mail or freight taken from Killisnoo for seven days.